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HISTORY OF THE COLLECTION GUIDANCE STAFF

AN OUTLINE

I. Introduction

A. CGS a late comer on the scene----less than three and one half years old.

B. Resulted largely from collection problems which developed during the 50's.

1. Proliferation of components levying requirements----costly, unable to coordinate effectively;

2. Inability to make best possible use of collection resources;

3. No effective means of collecting on a priority basis;

4. Duplicative collection requirements and reporting;

5. No effective means of evaluating reporting or collection systems.

C. Series of studies after 1960 to determine what should be done.

1. Joint Study Group Report of 1960;

2. A study of the CIA Requirements System, 1962;

3. A Proposed CIA Requirement Registry, 1962;

4. Others.

D. By 1962 it was generally felt that central management of some sort was needed but a wide range of opinion existed as to what should be done.

1. Description of views then extant.

E. Interim organizations established to begin to centralize the management of requirements and collection.

1. CIA Requirements Committee created 4 May 1962;
2. Requirements Support Group organized 4 May 1962;
3. A Staff Requirements Coordinator appointed and a Requirements Registry created 10 May 1962;
4. Requirements Coordination Staff organized 21 January 1963 (DD/I Notice No. 50-100-31).

F. Creation of an ad hoc task group to develop a plan for establishing and operating one all-source DD/I Collection Guidance and Support Center.

1. Description of the basic philosophy which developed;
2. The evolution of an organizational structure.

G. The Creation of the Collection Guidance Staff.

Created 10 June 1963 (DD/I Notice No. 1-30-16).

II. Mission

- A. Initial mission as described in DD/I Notice No. 1-30-16.
- B. Changes in mission since 1963.

III. Organization

- A. Description of original organization.
- B. Changes in original organizational structure.
 1. Transfer of Operations Center;
 2. Transfer of SPINT;
 3. Support to CCPC added;
 4. [REDACTED]
 5. Programs Evaluations Group abolished.

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